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SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS FROM SECRETARY TO FOREIGN MINISTER

REF: STATE 074345

1. DCM DELIVERED SECRETARY'S MESSAGE WITH COVERING LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR AT 0930 HOURS THIS MORNING TO ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER MARQUET AND CHIEF OF POLITICAL SECTION STEINER. (FOREIGN MINISTER KIRCHSCHLAEGER AND SECRETARY GENERAL WODAK OUT OF TOWN ON EASTER LEAVE).

2. MARQUET SAID HE WAS IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BY TELEPHONE ON THIS MATTER AND WOULD CALL HIM IMMEDIATELY RE SECRETARY'S MESSAGE. STEINER SAID AMBASSADOR YANKOWITCH HAD TELEPHONED FROM NEW YORK AT 2300 HOURS VIENNA TIME ALST NIGHT
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TO SAY IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION THAT MOST RECENT MODIFICATIONS OF ANGLO- FRENCH RESOLUTION WOULD PERMIT UNITED STATES TO ABSTAIN IF PARAGRAPH 4 WERE DROPPED. MARQUET ASKED WHETHER THIS WAS IN FACT THE CASE.

3. DCM REPLIED THAT WHILE DROPPING PARAGRAPH 4 WOULD INDEED BE HELPFUL IT WAS CLEAR THAT PARAGRAPHS TWO AND THREE WERE ALSO FAR FROM BALANCED AND THAT, THEREFORE, WHILE HE HAD NO DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OF DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE NIGHT, HE FELT CERTAIN THE USG WOULD BE RELUCTANTLY COMPELLED TO CAST NEGATIVE VOTE.

4. MARQUET AND STEINER BOTH SAID THAT AS OF THAT MOMENT IT LOOKED AS IF GOA WOULD VOTE FOR THE RESOLUTION PARAGRAPHS ONE, TWO AND THREE WITH EXPLANATION OF VOTE AND REQUEST SEPARATE VOTE ON PARAGRAPH FOUR WHICH THEY PROBABLY WOULD VOTE AGAINST.

5. DCM REMINDED BOTH GENTLEMEN OF GOA' S FREQUENT STATEMENTS CONDEMNING TERRORISM AND REQUESTED THAT FURTHER THOUGHT BE GIVEN TO THE MATTER IN ORDER TO AVOID PRECIPITOUS ACTION WHICH WOULD HAVE THE MOST UNFORTUNATE CONSEQUENCES FOR THE UNITED NATIONS TO SAY NOTHING OF THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

6. MARQUET PROMISED TO TELEPHONE AS SOON AS HE HAD SPOKEN WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO INFORM US OF GOA REACTION TO SECRETARY' S MESSAGE AND OF ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AUSTRIAN POSITION.

7. WILL ADVISE ASAP. HUMES

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